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AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.  
LONDON.—F. ALGAR, 11, Clement's Lane,  
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nica, C. KAROFF & CO., etc.

## Arrivals.

Dec. 23. *Lota*, British barque, 472, M.  
W. Barber, Liverpool, July 26, General  
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.

## Departures.

Dec. 24. *Kuang Tung*, for Swatow.  
24. *Ed King*, for Shanghai.  
24. *Fortune*, for Bangkok.  
24. *Nicoline*, for Bangkok.  
24. *Joshua Bates*, for Melbourne.  
24. *Nova*, for Manila.  
24. *Sikkinghing*, for Yokohama.  
24. *Amoy*, for Amoy.  
24. *Stanley*, for Saigon.  
24. *Adeline*, for Amoy.  
24. *Carmenta* and *Ida*, for Amoy.

## Passengers.

ARRIVED.—*Per Lota*, Mr. E. H. Barber.

## Shipping Reports.

The British barque *Lota*, from Liverpool, reports fine weather to Equator, which she crossed on 28th Aug. in long. 28° W.; passed the meridian of the Cape of Good Hope on 5th Oct. in lat. 38° S.; made Sandwood Island on 18th Nov., came to Gilolo passage 8th Dec.; had strong N. W. wind; experienced strong current ran to E. 60 miles per day. Passed outside Pelaw Islands and reached the Bashi Islands on Sunday the 20th Dec., from thence had wind from N.N.E. until arrival in Hongkong, 150 days out. On 2nd Dec. in Manoa passage spoke the British barque *Corsair* from London; 120 days out, consigned to the Borneo Co.

## New Advertisements.

"LOTA" FROM LIVERPOOL.  
CONSIGNERS of Cargo by the above-  
named vessel are requested to send in  
their Bills of Lading to the undersigned  
for countersignature and to take immediate  
delivery of their Goods. Cargo impeding  
the ship's discharge will be landed and stored  
at Consignee's risk and expense.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.  
Hongkong, December 24, 1868. de31

THE HONGKONG, CANTON  
AND MACAO STEAM-BOAT COMPANY  
LIMITED.

NOTICE.  
THE Ordinary Half-yearly Meeting of  
Shareholders of this Company will be  
held at the Office of the Company, Victoria,  
Hongkong, on Wednesday, the 20th day of  
January next, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon,  
for the purpose of reviewing the statement  
of accounts with the Report of the Directors,  
and of declaring a Dividend.

By order of the Board of Directors,  
AUGUSTINE HEARD & CO.  
General Agents.

Hongkong, December 23, 1868. 20ja

THE HONGKONG, CANTON  
AND MACAO STEAM-BOAT COMPANY  
LIMITED.

NOTICE.  
THE Transfer books of the Company will  
be closed from the 4th day to the 18th  
day of January next inclusive.

By order of the Board of Directors,  
AUGUSTINE HEARD & CO.  
General Agents.

Hongkong, December 23, 1868. 19ja

S. W. BAKER & CO.,

BEG to invite inspection of their New  
STOCK for the Season, received per  
late arrivals, including—  
Ladies' Hats, Bonnets, Opera Cloaks,  
Dresses in plain and fancy Silks, Papinette,  
Reps, and new Textures, French  
Jackets and Mantles, new shape Jupons,  
white and scarlet Corsets, Lace Frills, Lace  
and other Trimmings, Ribbons, and Rib-  
bous. Velvets in all colors, Honsey, Kid,  
Cashmere, and Bronze Boots, white Satin  
Boots and Kid Gloves. A large assortment  
of Wool and Embroidery Works, as Cushion  
Pattens, Smoking Caps, Masala Sets, &c.

Baugher's Umbrellas, Chrystal's new shape  
Felt and Shell Hats, choice lot of Neck  
Scarfs, Tied Wrappers, Collars, Socks,  
Fancy Tweeds and Coatings, Bracelets, &c.

Brussels Carpets, Velvet Pile Carpets  
and Rugs, All Wool Damasks, Lace Curtains,  
Table Covers in great variety, Damask Table Cloths in all sizes, Table Napkins,  
D'Orsay, Blankets, Counterpanes, Sheetings,  
Flannels, Wool Mats, Turkish  
and other Towels, &c.

Children's Trimmed Hats, Boots, Peran-  
bulators, Picture Books, Toys, &c.  
Dressing Cases, and Travelling Bags  
fitted, for Ladies and Gentlemen. Playing  
Cards, and a large assortment of Stationery  
and Perfumery Goods.

S. W. BAKER & CO.  
Hongkong, December 23, 1868. 183

## New Advertisements.

EXCURSION TO SAN CHOAN  
AND BACK.CONSECRATION OF THE CHAPEL  
ERECTED OVER THE GRAVE  
OF ST. FRANCIS XAVIER.

HIS ceremony of consecration will take  
place on a Sunday in January, to be  
present theretofore, will be kind enough to  
leave their names with Messrs De Souza &  
Co., Hollywood Road.

It is intended to charter a steamer from  
Hongkong for the occasion.

By order of the Committee.

J. DE SOUZA,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, December 19, 1868.

## SAIL-MAKING.

H. WOOTT & CO., having secured the  
services of an experienced Sail-Maker,  
are prepared to MAKE or REPAIR SAILS at  
very reasonable rates.

Hongkong, December 10, 1868.

## EX RED DEER &amp; DUNKELD.

FOR SALE at moderate prices and to  
suit purchasers—

Prime York HAMS.

Prime Strasburg BACON.

North Wilt CHEESE.

Scotch WHISKY, "Mountain Dew."

Guinness' STOUT in pints.

Do. do. in quarts.

Do. in quarts.

Apply to

J. F. ROSE,  
Wellington Street.

Hongkong, December 21, 1868.

## L. ANE, CRAWFORD &amp; CO., beg

to call attention to their new  
GOODS for the Season, received per  
recent arrivals.

## For Christmas Tables.

Mince Meat, Muscavado, Figs,

Raisins, Crystallized Fruits.

currants, Plum Pudding,

Ribb Cakes, Dessert Biscuits,

Orange, Lemon and Citron Peels,

Fricassées de Grenouilles.

Pork Cutlets, Truffled Sausages,

Whitebait, Venison, Salmon.

Truffles, Vanilla Bubons.

Fruit, Desert Fruits.

Rose Water Crackers.

Cheddar, Albert and Stilton Cheese.

A Boar's Head.

Krug's Champagne.

Champagnat Whiskey.

Ports, Sherries, Baas.

Liqueurs in great variety.

Oliver's Stores of first rate quality.

etc., etc., etc.

For the Children.

A splendid assortment of Toys.

Christmas Tree Ornaments.

Games and Books of Games.

Illustrated Gift Books.

Rocking Horses—Dragées.

A Child's Swing.

For Christmas and New Year's  
Gifts.

Parian Statuettes.

Perfume Cases.

Dressing Cases.

Writing Cases.

Flower Vases.

Richly-bound and Illustrated Books.

STEREOSCOPES, Slides and Boxes.

Fancy boxes of Bonbons.

Photographic Albums.

Cigar Magazines and Cases.

Pipes and Cigar Tubes.

etc., etc., etc.

## In General New Stock.

Sporting Gear of all kinds.

Shooting Coats and Boots.

Hunting and other Saddlery and  
Whips.

Mantelpieces, Grates, Feuders and  
Iron.

Overland Trunks, Railway Valises.

Croquet Sets, Athletic Gear.

Perfumery and Brushes.

Wall-papers in large variety.

Sheet Lead, Steam-plates.

Electro-Plate in good selection.

A large invoice of Standard Works.

Novels, Books on Athletics, &c.

Fashionable Collars, Ties & Scarves.

Carpets, Rugs, and Curtains.

Sticks and Umbrellas.

Tweeds, Coatings and Flannels.

And,

Many other seasonable GOODS.

Hongkong, December 9, 1868. 183

## Auctions.

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

BOWRA & CO. will sell by Public  
Auction, by order and at the  
Godowns of Messrs JARDINE, MATHEWS  
& CO., East Point, on

SATURDAY,

26th Dec., 1868, at 11 o'clock A.M.,

at the Godowns of Messrs VOGEL, HAG-  
BORN & CO.,

For account of the concerned,

26 boxes Gray SHIRTINGS.

More or less damaged by sea water.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery

in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.17.

Hongkong, December 23, 1868. de29

## GENERAL WEEKLY AUCTION.

ANE, CRAWFORD & CO. will sell

by Public Auction, in their  
Rooms, Queen's Road, on

SATURDAY,

26th instant, at Noon,

The following GOODS, namely—

For account of the concerned,

48 cases Vivian, and Son's Yellow

&lt;p



## QUOTATIONS.

LOCAL		
HONGKONG, 24th December, 1868.		
OPIUM—Pains, New, ...	\$632	
Benares, New, ...	630	
Maws, ...	655 a 690	
COTTON.—CALCUTTA, ...	16 a 194	
BOMBAH, ...	16 a 250	
SHANGHAI, ...	19 a 20	
EXCHANGE.		
Bank, 6 months' sight, ...	4/4	
Credits, 6 ...	4/5 a 4/5	
On Calcutta, 3 days' sight, Rs. 221.		
“ Bombay, 3 days' sight, Rs. 221.		
“ Shanghai, 3 days' sight, Bank, Ths. 75		
Bar Silver, 17 dwt. B., ...	94 nominal	
Spoes, ...	6.10 a 6.50	
Mexicans, ...	23.50 a 24.00	
Gold Leaf, ...	23.60 a 28	
Gold Bar, 98 troy, ...	4.65	
English Sovereigns, ...	4.63	
Australian Sovereigns, ...	9 a 10	
Discount, ...	9 a 10	
H. & W. Dock, Old, 4 p. c. dia; Nov. 25.		
H. & S. Bank Shares, Old, ...	24 p. c. dia	
Do. do. New, ...	4	
Union Dock, ...	20 p. c. dia	
Temperature.		
HONGKONG, 24th December, 1868.		
(Taken at Messrs Falconer & Co.'s Premises, Queen's Road.)		
THERMOMETER—9 A.M., Dry, ...	66	
Do. Wet, ...	62	
Do. 4 P.M., Dry, ...	67	
Do. Wet, ...	61.2	
Self-registered Maximum, ...	69	
Do. Min. over night, ...	64	
BAROMETER—9 A.M., ...	30.250	
Do. 4 P.M., ...	30.040	

## THE CHINA MAIL.

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, DEC. 24, 1868.

TO-MORROW being Christmas day, no issue of this journal will take place.

## A MERRY CHRISTMAS!

AGAIN revolting time brings round the cheering festival of the Nativity, and for the twenty-third time is this journal enabled to wish its numerous friends "A Merry Christmas!" In our thus complying with a time-honored custom, our readers will, we trust, recognize something beyond a mere formal wish that they may eat good dinners and spend pleasant evenings. We do not trespass on the preacher's province, if we remind them that Christmas time is in the words of a well-known writer "a good, forgiving, charitable time," or that many objects of seasonable generosity may easily be found even in Hongkong. Exhortations such as these are happily, however, but little needed here. Christmas at Hongkong may emphatically be described (apart from its purely religious aspect) as the season of homeward thoughts, and homeward wishes. Many, case-hardened by the money-getting struggle ever going on amongst the "sojourners" in the Far East, unbend in their inward thoughts, to recollections and aspirations which press of business chokes away from everyday life. To these we would especially bid God speed in any good resolves they may form under the softening influences of such reminiscences. But to all who honor Christmas—and few there are of the most worldly but attach some sacred significance to the festival we have agreed to keep on the twenty-fifth of December as commemorative of the founder of our faith—we tender our best hopes for their present pleasure and future success. Again we say, "God bless the day and God bless us every one."

The *China Magazine* in its last number charges the *China Mail* with "purloining" an article which appeared in its previous issue, entitled "The Other Side of the Question." If to quote an article from a serial, and to comment upon it in not unfavourable terms in our leading columns deserve the epithet applied by the conductor of the *China Magazine*, there is much sin in periodical literature. But the *China Magazine* is unmitigately conducted. It has been guilty of three crimes during its young and inexperienced existence. It committed a "contempt of court," and had to pay costs, and escaped imprisonment through a perhaps too generous contempt for it in other quarters. It slandered a community, and committed a social crime under the guise of preaching "A Moral for Hongkong," for which it feebly apologizes in its last number. And it now betrays its ignorance of journalistic usage when it applies the word "purloining" to our acknowledged quotation of an article from its pages. The secret of these blunders is to be found in extreme self-conceit—the spurious coinage which "one finds turned out occasionally from the human mint in every part of the world."

We learn from Formosa that all the terms agreed to by the Chinese have been strictly fulfilled. The actual criminals involved in the former outrages upon the Missionaries, &c., were being punished on the 22nd instant, one having been beheaded. Tseng, Taotai, has now taken charge of the principal yamen, and the guilty officials have been suspended from office. We understand that Mr Swinhoe, who is appointed Consul at Takow, has not yet superseded Mr Gibson, in order that a false impression may not be protracted on the Chinese mind.

## LOCAL

We are requested to state that the Services to-morrow (Christmas-day) in the Cathedral will be as follows:—

At 9 A.M., Morning Prayer and Sermon by the Rev. Canon Bradol.

At 11 A.M., Morning Prayer and Communion Service, and Sermon by the Lord Bishop. The Holy Communion will be celebrated after the Sermon.

We have much pleasure in stating that the 73rd Band Amateur Theatrical Company intend giving two farewell performances on Monday and Tuesday next. The entertainments of this Company require no "puffing," but we mention the performances so that those who have not seen them may see them before the company leaves us, and those who have seen them may enjoy the pleasure once more. "Caught by the Cuff" is the farce to be placed on the stage, in company with the rattling burlesque of "Knollwitz." Both pieces, we understand, being given by special desire.

We understand that a cricket match will be played on Saturday, between sides drawn from the 73rd and 76th Regiments. What a "relief" it will be to the former, in a double sense, if they should be beaten!

AMATEUR PERFORMANCE.

A burlesque and a farce were last night played by officers of the 73rd at the Theatre of the Club Lusitano. The theatre was of course well filled, and the audience were, equally of course, well pleased. The historical efforts of the 73rd will not soon be forgotten in Hongkong. A prologue (as subjoined) was spoken by Captain Farringdon:

Before the curtain's raised, permit me just to say—

A word or two to introduce the play, "Diecioche, the Public—the Public Devil." It is shorter, simpler than a length of cloth; And perhaps, it answers just as well For introducing a masterpiece as well;

But then, you see, such cut-throat ill-accords With first appearance on these mimic boards. Our aim is not so much to make a hit At the boxes, gallery, or the lovely pit,

Though shots at apples with a vengeance tell, Since Tell with a vengeance hit so well.

Our endeavour simply aims to please A gracious Public vexed by fall in tea.

Byron's old burlesque of Elly Connor, Followed by a farce, "upon my sacred honor," is the programme. To introduce the cast, Miss Emily—(now-a-days young ladies are so fast)—

This flower born to blush unseen, Till she has a nursing been.

Men of the period, her you'll recognise By movement, gesture, and her general size,

Miles Naopaleon—"A noble Thespian, he On these boards has gained celebrity."

So sang our Laureate in some graphic line On Malatoo, the pie pie, and Madeira wines. But place aux dames Miss Ann Chute near for- gout,

Next in order to this model Irish Patun.

Subject to misanthropy, Miss Ann's not subject, too,

To shirk her training with the Kelpie's gallant crew.

She'll teach the young idea the drill, and how to shoot.

With rifle at target, this lovely Miss Ann Chute.

Poor Dany Mam! in younger days from crags he fell.

In later days, in burlesque he did tell.

The story of this sad disaster, and how a for- man

He became, and did his work as well as any man, Stately Mrs. Cregan and her precious hand-up sonny,

And soft down Daly, with words as sweet as honey—

You know Miss Chute he has honeyed you—

Then Corrigan, and there is Sergeant Too- raloo,

The latter has his nose, as is usually the case, Above his chin on his sweet pretty face,

The former on the stage is re-appeared; i.e., Mr. Corrigan.

Like that well-known fostered racer John of Oregon.

This is the cast: some of them you've seen before;

Some again perhaps you'll see no more.

A Horse Guards' order sends with quick dispatch (Not leaving time for even a crier match),

The Perthsires from your friendly shore,

One wing to Galle, the other Singapore.

Now's my chance, let me here express Our vows of constant forgetfulness,

And thanks for moments when you've been at leisure,

When each has added to the other's pleasure.

Your climate's bad, it's true, but then

We hav'n't lost so very many men.

Here the mercury's high, there we'll find it high.

A change, also I from the frying pan to the fire.

A few words more and I must now be brief.

Let me introduce you to the Seventy Third's Relief.

Give them hearty welcome, and let your welcome sound.

A soldier's life is one continual round."

Indulgent public! I think there is no harm,

(Not as much as in a gambling farm).

In asking favor of your kind applause

With this request I must now bid adieu,

And leave the actors to your kindness, and to you.

## TO-DAY'S POLICE.

Mr May on the Bench; but the mellowing geniality of the Christmas season would appear to have extended even to the rowdy and criminal classes, judging from the dulness of a few cases, however, it is looked for on Saturday morning, arising from another kind of "mellowiness," as the Court holds Christmas to-morrow instead of sitting as usual.

François Vincentot, the French baker in Wellington Street, was brought up on a summons, at the instance of a Chinese lady reading next door to the Bakery. It seems that the relations between the neighbors have been embittered by the mischievous antics of a certain monkey, which, as the complainant says, comes into her house and destroys her property. At 2 a.m. yesterday, defendant (not the ape) kicked up a row such as a gang of thieves would, and on the complaint of extorting, defendant struck her with an ox. This was contradicted by the constable, who stated that the defendant only threatened the girl. His Worship appeared to think that the charge was a somewhat frivolous one, and said that people did not take out summonses for monkeys. Defendant did not appear to have intended to strike complainant. The summons was then dismissed.

The summons against Captain M'Murdo was withdrawn, as the requirements of the Court had been completely and satisfactorily fulfilled.

Thomas Wilkie, of the *Himalaya*, was charged with having refused to pay a charwoman his proper fare. The complainant declared that he carried Jack, and was offered only four cents, upon which he carried

Jack a little farther—viz., to the Station. Defendant said he paid the coolie 50 cents; but Mr May preferred the cooler statement, and ordered Wilkie to pay other 60 cents, in default two days' imprisonment.

A charge was made against a Chinese shop-accountant, for having been concerned in the escape of the prisoner who was yesterday fined \$50 for bringing a false charge against Captain Jones; but although P. C. 60 did his best, His Worship did not think that prisoner was responsible for the actions of anybody but himself.

THE NORTH GERMAN BARQUE *FALCON*, which was on fire in Swatow two months ago, and afterwards burnt, has been purchased by some Chinese Hong in Hongkong, and is going to be sent from Swatow to Bangkok, under the charge of Captain Thule. In Bangkok she will be overhauled and refitted, and will sail as a Siamese barque. The *Falcon* was sold for "a mere song" to her present owner.—*Press*.

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## Houses and Lands.

TO LET.  
THE CORNER HOUSE, No. 22 A, in Gage Street, containing six rooms with Comptre's Room and Godowns attached. Water and Gas laid on.  
For particulars, apply to  
H. PESTONJEE SETNA,  
At Messrs P. & A. C. CAMAJEE & Co., Office,  
Queen's Road,  
Hongkong, December 1, 1868.

TO LET.  
With Immediate Possession,  
TWO Two-Storyed Granite GODOWNS at Wanchi, adjoining the Timber Yard of the Union Dock Company.  
Apply to  
LANDSTEIN & Co.  
Hongkong, November 23, 1868.

TO LET.  
ITH immediate possession, the House and Office, No. 4, Gough Street, lately occupied by Messrs A. WILKINSON & Co.  
Apply to  
G. H. LIVINGSTON & Co.  
Hongkong, October 14, 1868.

TO LET.  
A CONVENIENTLY situated HOUSE in Chancery Lane, most moderate.  
Apply to  
ARNHOLD KARBERG & Co.  
Hongkong, October 1, 1868.

TO LET.  
THREE spacious GODOWNS suitable for storing dry Goods, also a Fireproof GODOWN capable of containing 1,000 Chests of Opium. Situated in the most central part of Queen's Road.  
Apply to  
J. F. ROSE, Secretary,  
Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited.  
Hongkong, August 12, 1868.

TWO HOUSES TO BE LET.  
RECENTLY put in thorough Repair, situated on the Rise of the Hill, Westward, and an easy distance from the Queen's Road.  
Apply to  
M. BARRINGTON.  
Wyndham Street.  
Hongkong, May 13, 1868.

LIGHTERAGE AND STORAGE.  
THE Undersigned will undertake to land Cotton, Rice, Coals, and other Merchandise, in their own Boats, and to receive the same on STORAGE in First-class Godowns, on Moderate Terms.  
ROB. S. WALKER & Co.  
Hongkong, March 4, 1868.

NOTICE.  
TO LET.  
THE desirable PREMISES on the Queen's Road, lately in the occupation of the Asiatic Bank.  
For particulars, apply to  
SMITH ARCHER & Co.  
Hongkong, May 18, 1868.

TO LET.  
THE BUSINESS PREMISES, formerly occupied by Messrs ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co., consisting of Dwelling House, Office, and spacious Godowns.  
Possession to be had on the 1st March.  
Apply to  
JOHN BURD & Co.  
Hongkong, February 23, 1868.

TO BE LET.  
TWO New and Strong GODOWNS on Marine Lot No. 63.  
Apply to  
GAVIN THOMPSON,  
a Ginn, Linn, iron & Co.'s.  
Hongkong, December 16, 1868.

TO LET.  
A HOUSE in Spring Gardens, containing four Rooms and Out Houses; Rent £28 per month.  
Apply at the Victoria Foundry.  
Hongkong, March 12, 1868.

NOTICE.  
THE BUOYS marking the Dangers in the Harbour of Amoy have been painted according to the Rule in use by the British Admiralty and Trinity Board, viz.: to shark the Starboard side of Channels entering by Black or Red Buoy only. The Port side of Channels entering by Black or Red Buoy, are chequered or vertically striped with White, and Middle Grounds by horizontally striped Buoy.

KOKE ROCKS—Formerly marked by a Red Buoy are now marked by a vertically striped Red and White Buoy. This Buoy has been placed about 20 fathoms to the S. E. of the shallowest patch, in order to guard Vessels against ledges of Rock, with 16 feet water, found to exist in that direction, and it may be passed close to on the Port hand when entering the Harbour. The shallowest patch or pinnacle of the Ocker Rocks, has a floating Beacon on it until further notice.

NEW ROCK—in North part of Harbour, and Brown's Rock are marked by horizontally striped Buoy.

In case any of these Buoys are lost or moved, the position will, as soon as possible be marked by a Flag boat or floating Beacon.

JAMES JONES,  
Clerk in Charge.  
Office of Marine Customs,  
Amoy, August 13, 1868.

PORTRAITS.  
JOHN THOMPSON & Co.,  
DISPENSING & ANALYTICAL  
CHEMISTS  
AND  
SODA WATER MANUFACTURERS.  
Ships' Medicine Chests supplied  
and refitted.

THEET, EXTRACTED,  
INTERNATIONAL DISPENSARY,  
23, Wellington Street,  
Hongkong,  
Hongkong, May 9, 1868.

GEORGE GLASSE,  
(FIVE YEARS MANAGER TO  
KINGSFORD & Co., PICCADILLY  
LONDON, AND 26, PLACE  
VENDOME, PARIS)  
ENGLISH AND FOREIGN  
CHEMIST  
VICTORIA DISPENSARY,  
HONGKONG.

SHIPS' MEDICINE CHESTS  
SUPPLIED & REFITTED.  
Hongkong, May 1, 1868.

EASTLACK & WINN,  
Surgeon Dentists,  
HONGKONG & SHANGHAI.

SAILORS' HOME, WEST POINT.  
Trustees,  
Hon. W. Kewicke, Esq.  
John Dent, Esq.  
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Directors,  
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NOTICE.  
DONATIONS of Books, Periodicals, News-papers, Clothes, &c., will be most thankfully received.  
A. OVERBURY,  
Superintendent.  
Hongkong, October 20, 1868.

NOTICE.  
J. B. MOREIS, News Agent, Hongkong, being now prepared to receive orders for any Newspaper or Magazine published in England or The United States of America, at prices as low as those charged by any home Agency, begs to solicit the support of the reading Public, and assure those who may favor him with their orders that the same shall be executed faithfully and promptly.

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J. B. MORRIS,  
Care of Messrs Bowra & Co.,  
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Hongkong, March 4, 1868.

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MAILED BY THE "ELLORA." The Contract Packet "ELLORA" will be despatched with the usual Mail for Europe, &c., on TUESDAY, the 29th Instant, at 9 A.M., and the Post Office will be open for the reception of Ordinary Letters, Letters for Registration, Newspapers, Books, &c., until 8 P.M. on the 28th Instant. Letters, &c., may be posted in the night box from 8 P.M. on the 28th Instant, until 7 A.M. on the following morning.

All Letters posted between 7 and 8 A.M. on the 29th instant, will be chargeable, in addition to the usual postage, with a Late Fee of 18 cents.

The latest time for posting Letters at this Office is 8 A.M. and for Newspapers, Books, or Patterns 7 A.M. on the 29th instant.

Further, late letters (but Letters only) addressed to the United Kingdom via Marseilles or to Singapore, may be posted on board the Packet from 8.30 to 8.50 A.M. on payment of a late fee of 48 cents each, in addition to the postage, after which no Letters can be received.

Sealed Boxes containing the correspondence of Box Holders will be received at the window set apart for the purpose, on the East Side of the building.

All correspondence for places to which prepayment is compulsory must be prepaid in Hongkong Postage Stamps.

Insufficiently-stamped Letters addressed to the United Kingdom will be sent on, charged with a fine of One Shilling in addition to the postage.

Letters posted after 7 A.M. on the 29th instant will not be forwarded, unless the Late Fee as well as the postage, is prepaid.

Letters insufficiently stamped or unstamped addressed to places to which they cannot be forwarded unpaid, will be opened and returned to the writers as early as possible, but no guarantee can be given that such Letters, if posted after 8 P.M. on the 28th instant, will be returned until after the mail is closed.

Postage Stamps should be placed on the upper right hand corner of the correspondence, except in cases where they may be used in payment of "Late Fees," when the Stamp or Stamps representing the late fee should be placed on the lower left-hand corner.

All transactions in fractional parts of a Dollar will be conducted in the Coins prescribed by Ordinance 1, of 1864, and the Proclamation of the 22nd January, 1864, and no other Coin, but those therein specified will either be received or given in change as fractional parts of a Dollar.

Payment for Postage Stamps must be made in the current Dollars of the Colony or Bank Notes.

Money Orders on any of the Money Order Offices in the United Kingdom will be granted until 5 P.M. on the 28th inst. F. W. MITCHELL, Postmaster General.

General Post-Office, Hongkong, December 21, 1868.

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of a Money Order, or to renew a lapsed Order. The additional Commission in the last case will be deducted from the amount of the new Order. Lapsed Orders must be presented with the application for a new Order.

12.—But when it is desired that any error in the name of the Remitter or Payee should be corrected or that the amount of a Money Order should be repaid to the Remitter, or that a Lapsed Order should be renewed for payment in the Country in which the Order was originally drawn, application must be made to the Chief Money Order Office of such Country. This application must be accompanied by an additional Commission, unless it has reference to a Lapsed Order, in which case the Commission will be deducted from the amount of the New Order.

13.—Repayment whether of an original, or renewed, or a duplicate Order, will not be made to the remitter until it has been ascertained that the advice has been cancelled at the Office on which the Order was originally drawn.

14.—Payment of an Order must be obtained before the end of the Sixth Calendar Month after that in which it was drawn; for instance, if drawn in January, payment must be obtained before the end of July, otherwise the Order will become lapsed, and a new Order (for which a second Commission, to be deducted from the amount of the Order, will be charged) will become necessary.

15.—If an Order be not paid before the end of the Twelfth Calendar Month after that in which it was drawn,—for instance, if drawn in January and not paid before the end of the following January—all claim to the Money will be forfeited, unless, under peculiar circumstances, the Post Office of the Country in which the Order was drawn think proper to allow it.

16.—After once paying a Money Order by whomsoever presented, the paying Office will not be liable to any further claim. If a wrong payment, however, be made owing to negligence on the part of any Officer of the Post Office, the Postmaster General of the Country or Colony to whom the Order was drawn will, if he sees fit, require the Office in fault to make good the loss.

17.—No Money Order will be paid unless the advice has been previously received.

18.—Additional Rules for greater security against fraud, and for the better working of the system generally will be made as occasion may require.

19.—Should it appear that Money Orders are used by mercantile men, or others, either in the United Kingdom or at Hongkong, Shanghai, or Yokohama, for the transmission of large sums of money, the British or Colonial Post Office, as the case may be, will consider the propriety of increasing the Commission, and will exercise the power of wholly suspending for a time the issue of Money Orders.

By Command, F. W. MITCHELL, Postmaster General.

General Post-Office, Hongkong, December 21, 1868.

## DOCKS.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

SHAREHOLDERS are requested to take notice that the Eight call of Fifty Dollars on the new Stock of the above named Company is due on the 1st March next and will be payable at the office of the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, where receipts for the payment thereof will be granted by the Manager.

Interest at the rate of Twelve per cent per annum will be charged after the above date.

By order of the Board of Directors, GEORGE N. MINTO, Secretary.

Hongkong, December 1, 1868.

20.—No Money Order to include a fractional part of a Penny.

3.—Orders drawn in the United Kingdom upon Hongkong, Shanghai, and Yokohama, will be paid at the rate of Exchange at which Money Orders are being issued at the time of their presentation.

4.—Alphabetical Lists of over 3,700 Money Order Offices in the United Kingdom, shewing the Counties in which they are situated, are being up for public reference at this Office, and also at Shanghai and Yokohama.

5.—Applicants for Money Orders must furnish, in full, the surname, and, at least, the initial of one Christian name, both of the Remitter and the Payee; if the Remitter or Payee be a Peer or a Bishop, his ordinary title will be sufficient; if a firm, the usual designation of such firm, such as "Baring Brothers" will suffice; but the mere term Messrs., such as "Messrs. Rivington," or the name of a Company trading under a title which does not consist of the names of the persons composing it, such as "Caron Co." is inadmissible.

6.—The Remitter on stating that the Order is to be paid only through a Bank, to have the option of giving or withdrawing the name of the Payee; in such case, the Order will be crossed in the same way that Cheques are commonly crossed when they are intended to be paid through a Bank.

7.—When an Order is presented through a Bank, a receipt by any person will be sufficient, provided the Order be crossed with the name of the receiving Bank, and be presented by some Person known to be in the employ of such Bank.

8.—The signature of the Payee of a Money Order to be affixed to the Order in the place provided for the purpose. If the Payee be unable to write he must sign the receipt by making his mark in the presence of a Witness, who must sign his name, with his address in the presence of the Officer who paid the Order.

9.—Should the Payee of a Money Order desire to receive payment in the Country in which the Order was issued, at some other Office than that in which the Order was originally drawn, the transfer will be granted, provided the Order be indorsed to the Postmaster of the Office in which it was drawn. In such case a new Order will be issued, the Commission chargeable upon which will be deducted from the amount of the new Order.

10.—In the event of a Money Order miscarrying or being lost, a duplicate will be granted on a written application from the Payee, (containing the necessary particulars, and accompanied by an additional Commission) to the Office where the Original Order was payable.

11.—On the receipt of a similar application, orders will be given to stop payment

## INSURANCES.

OCEAN MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY, LONDON.

Incorporated 1859.

CAPITAL, £1,000,000. THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company are prepared to accept Risks on the usual terms.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,

Hongkong, February 6, 1867.

ALBERT LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY.

ESTABLISHED 1838.

CAPITAL, £500,000.

Managing Agents in China, — Messrs.

Augustine Heard & Co., Hongkong, Medical Referees, — J. I. Murray, Esq., M.D.

Hongkong, June 6, 1867.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company are prepared to accept Marine risks and issue Policies at current rates.

AUGUSTINE HEARD & CO.,

Agents, Albert Life Assurance Company.

Hongkong, June 6, 1867.

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